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## **Minutes 12/10/2009**

Present: Commissioners Michele Hassler and William McCarthy, Jim Dodge, Operations Manager of DPW and Jason Jones, Acting Cemetery Supervisor, Ed Francis, owner of lot no. BB-169 and Bill Francis, his son

1. Meeting started at 9:06am.
2. Mr. Francis was here to discuss the destruction of the lot, the tire tracks. It was explained to him that the grave was still fresh and when the tractor traveled down the row to open a different grave, BB-55, the grave collapsed. Tire tracks were visible because of the softness of the ground due to the rainfall. Mr. Francis appreciated that the cemetery crew loamed the grave immediately to bring the grave back to ground level and he was assured that it would be re-loamed and re-seeded in the spring.
3. Jim Dodge distributed Conflict of Interest packets for the commissioners to sign. He informed the commissioners that DPW would no longer provide added assistance to the cemetery crew solely for assisting the funeral directors in carrying the caskets. Also discussed was the potential budget cuts for FY11. It is proposed that the cemetery will no longer have a supervisor and the crew will be cut to 2 men. He also expressed the Town Manager's views on the candles and solar lights.
4. They are working on the cemetery fence.
5. Kevin Duffy submitted a proposal for the balance of FY10 work.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 and the next meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2010

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jean Smith, Sr. Clerk